

Celebration of Worship on the Lord's Day



Second Sunday after Pentecost June 3, 2018



Prelude "The Church" by Chris Brown and Mack Brock© 2010

Gathering as the Children of God

Elder Pat Davis

One: We do not proclaim ourselves; we proclaim Jesus Christ as Lord and ourselves

as servants for Jesus' sake.

All: For God has shone in our hearts to give knowledge of the glory of God.

One: Sisters and brothers, praise the Lord!

All: The Lord's name be praised!

† **Hymn No. 263** (hymnal)

""Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise"

Prayer of Confession (unison)

Elder Davis

God, who formed our inward parts and knows our hearts, forgive us. Instead of acknowledging you as our God, we make our own idols. Instead of proclaiming Jesus Christ as our Lord, we proclaim ourselves. Instead of turning to the Holy Spirit, we attempt to attain your way in our own understanding. Redirect our wrong ways and lead us to the ways that make Jesus visible in our lives. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon Elder Davis

Leader: Friends, believe the Good News. **People:** In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.



Prayer for Illumination

Rev. Ricardo Green

† "My Jesus, I Love Thee" by Adoniram Judson Gordon and William Ralph Featherstone

1. My Jesus, I love Thee, I know Thou art mine; For Thee all the follies of sin I resign; My gracious Redeemer, My Savior art Thou; If ever I loved Thee, my Jesus `tis now. 2. I love Thee because Thou hast first loved me And purchased my pardon on Calvary's tree; I love Thee for wearing The thorns on thy brow; If ever I loved Thee, my Jesus `tis now.

3. I'll love Thee in life, I will love Thee in death, And praise Thee as long As Thou lendest me breath, And say, when the death-dew, Lies cold on my brow; If ever I loved Thee, my Jesus `tis now.

4. In mansions of glory and endless delight, I'll ever adore Thee in heaven so bright; I'll sing, with the glittering, Crown on my brow: If ever I loved Thee, my Jesus `tis now.

Scripture Lesson (p. 169 NT) 2 Corinthians 4:5-12 Rev. Susan Haynes

One: This is the word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Sermon



† Passing of the Peace

One: The peace of Christ be with you.

All: And also with you.

Please exchange greetings of peace and welcome with your neighbor.

† **Hymn No. 474** (hymnal) "O Splendor of God's Glory Bright"

Church Family Life

Please take this time to pass the attendance notebooks located at the end of the pew row. If you are a visitor, we invite you to visit our information center located in the Narthex.

Celebration of the Lord's Supper

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

Prayer after Communion



Offering

Offertory: Selections for Piano

Featuring Brooke Shirley

† Response

The Doxology

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Christ, all people here below; Praise Holy Spirit evermore; Praise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen.

† Prayer of Thanksgiving

Rev. Green

† "I Saw the Light"

Chorus

by Hank Williams, Sr. © 1948

1. I wandered so aimless life filled with sin, I wouldn't let my dear Savior in Then Jesus came like a stranger in the night, Praise the Lord I saw the light Chorus:

I saw the light, I saw the light, No more darkness, no more night Now I'm so happy no sorrow in sight, Praise the Lord I saw the light

- 2. I walked in darkness and clouds covered me, I had no idea where the way out would be Then came the sun rise and rolled back the night, Praise the Lord, I saw the light
- 3. I was a fool to wander astray, Straight is the gate and narrow the way
 Now I have traded the wrong for the right, Praise the Lord I saw the light
 Chorus

Benediction		Rev. Ha y nes
† Postlude	"Improvisation"	by Nick Johns-Cooper
	† Those who are able, please stand	

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MVPC Mission Statement

Blessed to Be a Blessing

We are a Presbyterian church filled with love and energy – an inclusive congregation committed to spiritual growth through worship, study, fellowship, and service.

- As children of God, we seek to praise God in worship and in all that we say and do
- As **disciples of Jesus Christ**, we *listen* to scripture, tradition, one another, and the world in order to understand God's will for us as individuals and as a community
- As **members of a family of faith**, we strive to *love* one another unconditionally, sharing our joys and standing beside one another in our struggles
- **Moved by the Spirit**, we *serve* our gracious God by taking that with which we have been blessed and turning it into blessings for others.



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